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White Paper Documents

REF: HEC-A-729

1. There are transmitted herewith the documents released by the Guatemalan Government in support of its White Paper. These documents were forwarded to LINCOLN (in photostat) by Station Guatemala.
2. It is possible that these documents may be suitable for OAS exploitation. Attention is invited to the wide discrepancy between the signature "C. CASTILLO Armas" and the signature "CENTENO." According to the White Paper CASTILLO Armas and CENTENO were identical, and therefore their signatures should also be identical. Attention is further invited to the letterhead of the H. F. CORDES Company. On one of the photo copies titled "Napalm," the CORDES Company, when describing the quality of the napalm, writes "according to the specification of the United States." This is technically too imprecise and propagandistically too crude to lend any appearance of accuracy to the document; this could be exploited.
3. As to the accuracy of Tachito SOMOZA's signature, particular attention is called to HEC-A-729, especially Paragraph 2.
4. Chief of Station, Guatemala, while recently at LINCOLN, stated that the Guatemalan Government on February 1 had hastily recalled all the photostats (or documents) which are attached from any newspapermen in Guatemala City who were in possession of them. This seems to indicate rather clearly that the conversation between the Nicaraguan Ambassador and the Guatemalan Minister of Foreign Affairs considerably shook up the latter and resulted in the order to recall the documents.

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Attachments

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3 - Washington

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